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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Paul R. Heaton et al.

Application No.: 10/068,697

Art Unit: 1615

Filed: February 6, 2002

Examiner: C. L. Evans

For: ANTIOXIDANT COMPONENTS FOR  
REDUCTION OF NUCLEIC ACID DAMAGE  
IN COMPANION ANIMALS

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.